

WESTERN NEWS ITEMS.

In the recent school election at Spokane, Wash., fully half of the votes were cast by women.

The black-leg is reported to be again breaking out among the cattle at Wasatch.

Albany, Or., has decided to ignore Governor Pennoyer's Thanksgiving day and observe the national festival.

Professor Fred G. Plummer of Tacoma, Wash., looks for earthquakes December 22nd, and the highest tides for 188 years.

The sheep herds have been moving out of our hills for some time and heading for the great American desert, their winter range, says the *Wasatch Wave*.

John H. Lambdin, a boyish salesman in the employ of Daniels & Fisher, at Denver, shot himself to death in a reception room on the main floor of the store on Tuesday afternoon.

The trial of H. C. Cutner and twelve others, indicted for participating in the Chinese riots during September, has been completed in the circuit court at Union, Oregon, the jury returning a verdict of not guilty.

A thief entered the office of the Butte and Boston mining company of Butte, Mont., and stole from the safe a bar of bullion weighing forty pounds. In all, there were three bars in the safe, but only one was taken.

While being drawn up in the cage at the J. C. Johnson mine at Aspen, Colo., on Tuesday evening J. Scott's left arm was caught between the cage and the shaft and almost torn from the shoulder. His injuries may result fatally.

Frank Priton, a miner on the Gray Eagle mine at Leadville, Colo., was very badly hurt on Tuesday afternoon. He was crossing near a chute when he slipped and fell a distance of forty feet, fracturing his right thigh and right arm.

Sheriff Thomas of Montezuma county has arrived from Cortez, says the *Durango, Col., Herald*, with Bill Bonaefer, who was arrested last Tuesday charged with having robbed the Rio Grande Southern agent at Mancos last June.

A Stockton, Cal., thief recently stole a dentist's case of plugged teeth from a shelf on the sidewalk where the strong-armed man had hung his handiwork every day for the past eleven years. The gold in the show-case was worth \$150.

Burglars broke into P. A. Drouhay's store at Tooele one night last week, but did not get away with enough to pay them for their trouble. They broke open the money drawer, stole about seventy-five cents and left twenty-five of that sum on the floor.

Charles H. Brugger fell through a hole in the floor of the Western Sugar Refinery in Nov. 1891, at San Francisco, and so injured his fingers that he has not been able to rest in comfort for three months. He has brought suit to recover \$5000 damages.

There is said to be an increasing demand for Montana flour. The Colum-

bia Falls mill is turning out an article far superior to the Dakota product, while the Brzeman and Great Falls mills have enough first-class hard and soft wheat on hand to run them all winter.

The first shipment of the largest purchase of apples ever made in Grant county, Or., arrived in Baker City the other day by eight six-horse freight teams, and other teams are on the way. The entire consignment consists of 8000 boxes. The fruit will be shipped to Denver, Col.

The little daughter of John I. Chapman, who, some weeks ago, had her foot cut off by the Union Pacific train in this city, is progressing nicely. She is at the Union Pacific hospital at Ogden, but will soon be brought back to her home in this city.—*American Fork Item*.

At his preliminary hearing on Tuesday Jacob Whit confessed to setting fire to a house last Friday morning at Del Norte, Col., and went to jail in default of \$2000 bail. His motive was jealousy of an inmate of the house, with whom he was infatuated, having taken up with another man.

William Jackson, about twenty-nine years of age, was run over by the Denver Pacific train about five miles east of Cheyenne, on Sunday. He was taken to Cheyenne and his leg amputated below the knee. He was badly injured about the head and body, and the physicians believe he cannot live.

Oliver Harman, an old time resident of Hoytsville, and a member of the Mormon battalion, says the *Coalville Chronicle*, passed through here last week with his family, moving to Bingham, Idaho, where he will make his home, having sold out in Kansas. He leaves two married daughters in Hoytsville.

The work of boring the gas well deeper has been temporarily suspended at Grand Junction, Colo. The ten-inch auger is at work reaming out the hole so that it will have a uniform size of ten inches. As soon as the reaming out is completed and the ten-inch casing put down, the bit will be started at the bottom and sent down 2000 feet.

In northern California nearly all the crops have been gathered in, and fruit drying is nearly completed. Plowing and seeding have been retarded somewhat by lack of rain. The weather has been almost perfect for all out-door pursuits. The few showers, while damaging fruit on the tray slightly, were really beneficial in many respects.

Tom O'Connor, alias Jim Clemente, was caught by officers at Denver on Saturday morning while in the act of effecting an entrance to Graff's pawn shop on Market street. O'Connor is a well known crook, though he is well connected in that city, and the officers are elated over his capture. O'Connor is known to have been implicated in several other burglaries.

Mayor Van Horn has been overwhelmed with letters advocating the stopping of the sale of city property for

collection of city taxes, says the *Denver Times*. I. P. Porter and other prominent realty dealers are importuning the mayor to act quickly. The mayor requested the city attorney to pass upon the matter last week and got a negative opinion from him.

The grand jury, now in session at Prescott, A. T., has returned three indictments against E. W. French, the deposed probate judge and county school superintendent. One is for embezzlement, one for forgery and one for casting a fraudulent warrant. French has been in jail since his arrest in September, and presented a pale, careworn appearance when he came into court for arraignment.

E. A. Bliven, the oldest locomotive engineer on the Central Pacific, visited Reno yesterday, remarks the *Reno (Nevada) Journal*. He took charge of an engine in January, 1868, on the Humboldt division, and ran on the road until a year ago, when his hearing became defective. He handled the lever of a locomotive for thirty-two years of his life and never had a serious accident.

The artesian well has been abandoned and the machine moved, says the *Vernal Express*. They went nearly 1000 feet in the blue clay and found no water; they lost their sand pump and nearly all of their rope connected with it. No one would have believed that there was that thickness in the clay formation, but it is nevertheless a fact, and is quite a disappointment to the people in not finding flowing water.

Lloyd Whiting, a Lupton, Colo., physician, struck town Sunday afternoon with a "jag" of fair proportions, says the *Leader*, and landed in the city jail. Early next morning a policeman noticed that the man was bleeding profusely. A doctor was at once called in. He discovered that the prisoner had made a violent attempt at suicide, having stabbed himself three times with a case knife, one of the wounds being quite serious.

On Sunday Sheriff Charles Frazer received a dispatch from Rock Springs requesting him to arrest a Chinaman on the arrival of No. 8 in this city, says the *Laramie Boomerang*. A deputy sheriff went down to the train, found the man and took him to the county jail. The prisoner was taken to Rock Springs on the afternoon train. The Chinaman is charged with hounding a white man at Rock Springs out of several hundred dollars.

The governor's reception today says a dispatch from Park, Idaho, dated Nov. 14th, was a continued ovation. Rousing meetings were held at Ovid and Liberty. A procession a mile long entered Paris under an arch of welcome busily decorated which spanned the main street. The meeting tonight was held in the Tabernacle. Governor McConnell's address took the audience by storm. Mr. Hodge gave an elegant banquet at his residence in honor of the visitors.

On Tuesday night a fatal accident occurred near the Rio Grande Western depot at Kayville. W. J. Barnes and W. R. Payne were returning home from Salt Lake in a wagon, and they reached the spot indicated when the team suddenly turned throwing Mr. Barnes out. He struck on his head,